

Chartered Nonpublic Schools Webcast Questions and Answers

DOES A SCHOOL IS USING ALTERNATIVE ASSESSMENTS GET TO CHOOSE HOW MANY RETAKES CAN BE ADMINISTERED?

This is a local decision. The number of retakes may be impacted by the number of different forms the test vendor has available for the year.

HOW DO SCHOOLS DOCUMENT WHAT EACH STUDENT HAS TAKEN IN ORDER TO MEET GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS?

Schools are responsible for monitoring student progress toward satisfying the graduation requirements. The Department expects that schools will develop a method for monitoring graduation requirements (spreadsheets, vendor databases, etc.).

CAN A PUBLIC SCHOOL RECEIVING A SENIOR-YEAR TRANSFER STUDENT FROM A CHARTERED NONPUBLIC SCHOOL THAT WAS ONLY ADMINISTERING THE ACT TREAT THAT STUDENT AS AN OUT-OF-STATE TRANSFER STUDENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF REQUIRED POINTS?

No, students transferring from chartered nonpublic schools are Ohio students and must meet the minimum state requirements in order to earn a high school diploma in Ohio. The transfer guidance for students transferring to a public district from a chartered nonpublic school is [provided here](#).

AS A CHARTERED NONPUBLIC TEST COORDINATOR, I HAVE RECEIVED DIFFERING GUIDANCE ON WHETHER ALL OF MY STUDENTS MUST TAKE THE ACT. IF SOME OF OUR STUDENTS WILL TAKE THE SPRING ACT ADMINISTRATION, MUST ALL OF OUR STUDENTS PARTICIPATE?

State law requires that schools administer the ACT or SAT to all grade 11 students in the spring of the school year. The Department currently is working to finalize the details of the implementation. Further guidance will be provided once finalized.

IS THERE AN EXEMPTION FROM THE ACT TEST IN THE SPRING FOR A JUNIOR ON THE AUTISM SCHOLARSHIP? THIS STUDENT WILL USE THE END-OF-COURSE TEST PATHWAY USING CURRICULUM CHOICE COURSE PROVISIONS.

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FOR CLARIFICATION, CAN A NONPUBLIC SCHOOL OFFER ONE PATHWAY TO ONE STUDENT AND ANOTHER PATHWAY TO ANOTHER?

The expectation is for the school to offer the same pathways to all students so that all have equal opportunities to earn a high school diploma. However, the school has final local decision regarding the pathways that they offer to all students.

DO STATE SCHOLARSHIP STUDENTS HAVE TO TAKE END-OF-COURSE EXAMS OR CAN THEY TAKE ALTERNATE ASSESSMENTS?

Scholarship students may take the alternative assessment to meet graduation requirements if that is the assessment the school is using for its students.

WHERE CAN SCHOOL LEADERS ACCESS THE GRADUATION OPTIONS WEBCAST?

The webcast detailing graduation options for chartered nonpublic high school students is available to [view here](#).